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via CM/ECF Filing:

The Honorable Jose R. Almonte, U.S.M.J.
United States District Court, District of New Jersey
Martin Luther King Building & U.S. Courthouse
50 Walnut Street Room 4015
Newark, New Jersey 07101

Re: ELLISON v. STATE OF NEW JERSEY et al.

Docket #: 2:22-cv-05001-BRM-JRA

Dear Judge Almonte:

Undersigned counsel represents Defendants Acebo, Cook, and Lynch in the above-referenced matter. This is a Joint Status Letter for the upcoming Status Conference scheduled for February 27, 2024, as ordered by the Court. (ECF No. 43).

Plaintiff completed his depositions January 31, 2024. Defendants have completed their depositions and their discovery.

Plaintiff has provided Defendants with a settlement demand and Defendants are analyzing the demand. Defendants need to go through the proper channels to assess the demand and will then be able to return with a position.

We thank the Court for its ongoing attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

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